Purchase of Hindi Typewriters

†5290. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the offices under his Ministry where there is not a single Hindi typerwriter, so far;

(b) the reasons for not purchasing Hindi typerwriter, so far; and

(c) the action taken to ensure compliance of target fixed for the purchase of Hindi typerwriters by the Department of Official Language in its annual Hindi programme?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) Tribal Cooperative Marketing Devleopment Federation of India Limited (TRIFED) was established during 1987 under the then Ministry of Welfare to act as an apex level Cooperative Society for providing remunerative prices to the tribals. TRIFED has purchased Hindi Software (Leap Office) which is being used in all the computers installed in TRIFED. Further, TRIFED has one manual and 3 bi-lingual electronic typewriters.

(b) and (c) Questions do not arise.

Training in Hindi Typing and Stenography

†5291. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of typists and stenographers in his Ministry and subordinate offices who have not taken training in Hindi typing and stenography;

(b) the reasons for not giving them such training, so far; and

(c) by when it is planned to give them such training?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) The number of typists and stenographers who have not taken training in Hindi typing and stenography is given below:

	Typists	Stenographers
Ministry	4	10

This Ministry does not have any subordinate office

(b) The training in Hindi typing and stenography is conducted by Deptt. of Official languages (MHA) which takes care of all the Ministries/

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Departments and have limited number of seats. Moreover, the trained staff of the Ministry often goes out of the Ministry on promotion, deputation and transfer and fresh staff joins in their place.

(c) Keeping in view that 10 typists and stenographers cold be covered in one year, the existing staff could be given training in Hindi typing and stenography within a period of two years.

Promotion of Engineers in CPWD

5292. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2375 given in Rajya Sabha on 16th March, 2000 and state:

(a) whether the CPWD has followed the D.O.P.T. guidelines regarding the consideration zone for promotion to the post of Executive Engineer (C) Against which 314 Assistant Engineers (C) have been promoted to the post of Executive Engineer (C) on regular basis;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details are given below:—

Year	No. of vacancies	No. of candidates considered		
		Normal Zone	Extended Zone for ST	Total
1994-95	182	368	6	374
1995-96	239	482	5	487
1996-97 (Upto 28.10.96)	176	356	3	359

(c) Does not arise inview of reply to (a) and (b) above.

Proposal to Decongest Old and Ancient Cities

5293. SHRI B. J. PANDA Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to decongest the cities, particularly old and ancient cities;